

and Mr. Dornard, the Prussian ambassador.

A special edition of the Official Messenger, which was distributed this afternoon, contained only a brief announcement of the death of M. von Plehve, and the information that an official requiem would be conducted.

Minister of Justice Muraviev went to the Peterhof Palace this afternoon to report the assassination of Minister von Plehve to Emperor Nicholas. His Majesty did not leave the palace during the entire day, although he had arranged to go to Oranienbaum, nineteen miles from St. Petersburg, to attend the consecration of the new harbor.

### Horribly Mangled.

The Associated Press correspondent was at the scene of the tragedy within five minutes after it occurred. M. von Plehve's shockingly mangled body was lying on the middle of the road. It had been partially covered with a police officer's overcoat with the left arm, the leg of which was broken off, projecting. A policeman came up and raised the overcoat in order to retrace the steps of the assassin. The striking feature of the body was a sharp, shallow wound on the forehead, revealing for an instant the assassin's face. The minister, whose head was battered almost beyond recognition. The roadway was strewn for a hundred yards with the wreckage of the carriage and pieces of the red velvet of the minister's official overcoat. A few yards from M. von Plehve's body lay a shapeless heap of the coachman's remains. The tragedy occurred on the Zablonsky track, a broad thoroughfare leading up to the Warsaw depot, whence the road turns sharply to the left toward the Baltic Railroad station. The exact spot at which the outrage occurred is just before the bridge spanning the circular canal on the other side of which both stations are situated.

The bomb thrower must have known perfectly well that Minister von Plehve would pass the spot this morning, for the minister makes his report to the Emperor every Thursday. The assassin was favored by the fact that the traffic here is always of the heaviest, owing to the cross of lines of surface cars and the continuous stream of heavy trucks. The assassin upon the whole was all for death as rapidly as possible. The coachman, however, was compelled to go slow at this point.

### Assassin Himself Wounded.

The assassin in laying his plans evidently foresaw this circumstance, and, while the minister's coachman slowed down, threw the bomb. The explosion was terrific and practically annihilated the wood work of the carriage. The horses took off, dragging the axle and the front wheels. The animals, though frightened, had not galloped far before they fell, with pools of blood under them.

The minister's servant, who was also on the carriage box, was badly wounded, and two officers who were driving by in a cab were injured by flying splinters. The assassin himself was wounded in one eye.

Passengers by the Peterhof train began to arrive upon the scene. Among them were the Duke and Duchess of Oldenburg, who stopped their motor car within a couple of paces of M. von Plehve's remains, and were told by the coachman of the terrible tidings. They were most affected.

### Emperor Greatly Affected.

Prefect of Police notified the Emperor of the tragedy immediately upon its occurrence. The Emperor, who was at the villa Alexandria at Peterhof, was greatly affected by the news, coming as it did, out of the bad tidings from the east of the four of international complications and the strain incident upon the hourly expectation of an event so close to the father's heart. The Emperor almost broke down when he was informed of the minister's murder.

Guarded by police the body remained in the street until the arrival of the official car, which was escorted by a large number of troops. After this official had viewed the body, it was placed in a carriage covered by a robe, and was driven slowly to a little chapel adjoining the railroad station, and then to the minister's home. The carriage was surrounded by mounted gendarmes, passed through the crowded streets, the sidewalks being a solid mass of people. The cross streets were black with spectators for blocks. As if by magic everybody in the city seemed to have suddenly become aware of the terrible catastrophe had occurred and to have hurried to the scene. As the carriage passed all heads were uncovered.

### Took Poison After Throwing Bomb.

The wounded assassin was taken to the Alexander Hospital so dazed as to be unable to speak. His condition was accounted for by the fact that he took poison immediately after throwing the bomb.

The deceased minister's carriage was being followed by secret service men on bicycles, but by miracle not one of them was injured. The force of the explosion was so tremendous that all the windows of a hotel facing the street were blown in and even some of the large panes of the Warsaw station, a hundred steps away, were shattered. Some of the drowsy drivers at the cab stand in front of the station, were injured.

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did M. Plehve's bidding without question. The unfortunate minister was laboring in the east of the city, in a different conversationalist. He was, however, fond of music and was accustomed to read many French novels during his leisure hours.

**THE KISHINEV MASSACRE.**  
In May, 1903, M. Plehve was made president of the Imperial Russian government to carry out the emperor's reform decrees. What part, if any, M. von Plehve actually played in the Kishinev massacre, will probably never be known, but his enemies have claimed that he had full knowledge of the events leading up to the massacre. His political friend and agent, Kroushav, known as the most extreme anti-Semitic in Russia, and proprietor of the Hesarabets, a newspaper of Kishinev.

The latter is said to have prepared the minds of the people of Kishinev for trouble by publishing a series of inflammatory, anti-Semitic articles. The object of von Plehve in this matter, according to the charges made at the time, was to divert the attention of the people at large from the government.

It should be added that the allegations against von Plehve have never been proved to be founded on fact, and in view of the emperor's inquiry into the matter and the fact that von Plehve retained the emperor's confidence, it is only just to assume that the charges were unfounded.

### PLANT REFORM.

The last great public work of von Plehve, so far as known, was the drafting of the present law this year. This is a scheme for plant reform, ordered by the emperor in the recent manifesto.

On June 12, of this year, it was announced from St. Petersburg that the council of the empire had approved M. von Plehve's decree for the repeal of the laws under which Jews are forbidden to reside within thirty-two miles of the frontier. This measure has been approved by the emperor.

### AMERICAN SYMPATHY.

#### Secretary Hay Sends Cable Message to Count Lamdorff.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 28.—Secretary Hay has cabled to Count Lamdorff, Russian minister of foreign affairs, an expression of profound sympathy for the loss of the life of the Russian ambassador, Mr. Hay has communicated a similar expression to the American chargé at St. Petersburg, and by Consul-General Watts. The news was forwarded to Secretary Hay at New York.

Although the assassination is deeply deplored here, it cannot be said that it has caused much surprise in the circles of the best informed as to conditions in St. Petersburg.

### COAL DESTROYED IN PORTSMOUTH NAVY-YARD

(By Associated Press.)

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., July 28.—The coal pocket of the Portsmouth navy yard was completely destroyed by fire to-night, together with 6,000 tons of coal, causing an estimated loss of \$125,000. The cause of the fire is believed to have been spontaneous combustion.

### Grocers at Buckroe.

The Retail Grocers ran a large excursion of twelve coaches to Buckroe Beach yesterday. The train, which was led by a happy crowd, left Buckroe at 7:15 P. M. and arrived at 9:25.

### Joel Is Nabbed.

Joel Watkins, colored, the companion of Robert Robinson in the alleged crime of sticking a knife in a horse, was arrested last night.

He was before the police justice yesterday, but his case was continued until Watkins could be caught.

### ARE READY TO BE USED AT ONCE

"Knocked Down" Houses Being Sent to Porto Rico.

Rico.

(By Associated Press.)

SAVANNAH, GA., July 28.—The bark Grace Deering, sailed for Porto Rico today, carrying 36 cottages and a cargo of lumber to be used in the reconstruction of a number of posts on the island. The cottages are "knocked down."

The material has all been cut to the proper sizes, planned, mortised, and in every other way prepared so that nothing will be needed except to fit and fasten together the various parts. How compact each cottage is may be seen from the fact that the materials include not only sash, doors and blinds, but picket fences so that only not only will the cottages be complete, but also enclosed.

In addition to this cargo, the bark carried 100 tons of other cargo, also consigned to the officials of the United States government on the island. The material for the cottages, fences, etc., was prepared in various mills of this State and assembled here for shipment.

Mills of Atlanta, Augusta, Macon and other points have contributed orders. The cargo is to be delivered at Culebra, Fargro, Norgroba, Humco, and Punta Ysabel.

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## TORE HOLE IN STABLE

Lightning Kills Two Thoroughbreds and Stuns Dinah Shad.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 28.—A heavy storm broke over Brighton Beach to-day, and when the first race was run the water on the track was three or four inches deep.

As a result the programme was ruined. During the storm lightning struck the stable occupied by E. L. Graves and Frank Clarkson, at Graves' killing the two two-year-olds owned by Clarkson and C. W. R. Dinah Shad was reported killed, but was not completely destroyed, the lightning tearing a hole through the center.

First race—selling, six furlongs—Emergency (2 to 1) King Popper (5 to 1) second, Dapple Gold (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:16.

Second race—steep-chase, about two miles—Maiden (2 to 1) first, Mystic Shiner (3 to 1) second, Trek (4 to 1) third. Time, 4:40-5.

Third race—six furlongs—Invader (5 to 1) first, Foe (4 to 1) second, Butting (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:15-5-5.

Fourth race—the Ironsides stake, one mile and a furlong—St. Valentine (2 to 1) first, Gold Sam (3 to 1) second, Knight Errant (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:55-1-5.

Fifth race—handicap, one mile and a quarter—Belle (2 to 1) first, Key Note (5 to 1) second, Lord Melbourne (4 to 1) third. Time, 2:08-2-5.

Sixth race—selling, five furlongs—Belle Dixie (2 to 1) first, Win (2 to 1) second, Bisque (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:03.

### Grand Circuit Races.

(By Associated Press.)

DETROIT, MICH., July 28.—The Chamber of Commerce consolation stake for 224 class horses and 225 ponies were the features of the day's card at the Grand Circuit races. Favorites were beaten in both events. Summary:

227 race—purse \$2,000—Bob Hughes won in straight heats, John B. second, Gypsy Girl third. Best time, 2:08-4-1.

224 race—Chamber of Commerce consolation purse, \$1,000—Angus Johnston won in straight heats, West end second, Mild third. Best time, 2:05-1-2.

225 race—purse \$1,500—Jeta won in three straight heats, Silver Fox third. Best time, 2:14-1-4.

230 race—purse \$1,500—John Yankum won in two straight heats, Joe Pointer second, Little Squaw third. Best time, 2:03-1-2.

### The Hawthorne Running.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, July 28.—Results at Hawthorne: First race—five furlongs—Tom Shelly (1 to 1) first, Ethel Day (11 to 5) second, Waddell (16 to 1) third. Time, 1:03.

Second race—three furlongs—Orfeo (5 to 1) first, Watermelon (20 to 1) second, Bill Masie (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:20-5-5.

Third race—four furlongs—John B. (11 to 5) first, Miss Lee (6 to 5) second, John B. (11 to 5) third. Time, 1:15-5-5.

Fourth race—one mile—Apple (5 to 1) first, Swede (2 to 1) second, Veneck (7 to 2) third. Time, 1:42-2-4.

Fifth race—one mile and a quarter—Major Mansie (5 to 1) first, Lonsome (even) Valat (2 to 1) second, Time, 2:22-2-2.

Sixth race—six furlongs—Ida Davis (8 to 1) first, Mr. Farbum (7 to 1) second, Souffier (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:15-5-5.

## IS ENTIRELY MAY TIE UP SNUFFED OUT THE FREIGHT

Detroit Gets No Runs and But Two Hits at Hands of Henley